2026 TOP DOG HERDING AWARDS

The points for the ARC Top Dog Herding Awards are based on class placements and wins at AKC licensed trials from January 1st through December 31st, as reported in the AKC Rottweiler Award Reports. There are 3 levels of awards: Started, Intermediate; Advanced. Courses & Stock are combined for each level. The points are calculated as follows:

PLACEMENT	The dog must place in a class, then 1 point is counted for each dog defeated in the class, i.e. if a dog was 1st in a Herding Started A Sheep class that had 7 entries, the dog would earn 6 points (7 total class entries minus 1 (dog itself).
HIGH IN TRIAL	A HIT win is calculated as minus 1 point from the show's total entry as listed in the AKC Rottweiler Awards Reports.
RESERVE HIT	Reserve High In Trial would be calculated as minus 2 points.

Dog must have a minimum of 5 points to be in the Final Top Dog Awards.

Prior to 2018, there was only 1 award level, with all Herding Classes being combined.

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3rd Quarter

Started

1	Einziger's Over The Rainbow HSAs HSDs	B	Sandra Allen	53
2	Desert Mountain Arizona's Apex RA HSAds FDC CGC TKI	D	Elizabeth & Daniel Schultz, Sherma Miles	51
3	GCH Desert Mountain True Grit BN RE HSAs HSDs FDC CGC TKN	D	Britney Mazzer	46
4	CH Sage Isi Vom Lauffeuer CD BN RE HSAs FDC CGCA CGCU TKI	B	Karen Gilden & Christian Kubik	40
5	CH Nighthawk's 'N Offer You Can'T Refuse V Ikon CD RE HSAs HSDs	D	Jill & David Grant, Daviann Mitchell	28
6	CH Neu-Rodes Place Your Bet CDX PCD RN TD HSAd FTI	D	Lynn Mayo	27
7	Deerwood's Romancing The Ladies RA PT RATS CZ8B	D	Juanita Myers & Pauline Karalia	10
8	OTCH Neu-Rodes The Gambler UDX OM3 RN TDX TDU HSAds DM DS	D	Lynn Mayo	7
9	Brewhaus' Quigley Down Under At Dark Waters HSAs HSDs	D	Patty Schneidmiller	1

Intermediate

1T	RACH BAAR's What A Little Firecracker! CD PUTD BN VER RM2 RAE2 HSAdsc HSBd HSDs HIAds HIBd HIDs BCAT SWD SWME2 SHDME ATT FTN	B	Linda Spengler	3
1T	Brewhaus' Quigley Down Under At Dark Waters HSAs HSDs HIDs	D	Patty Schneidmiller	3
1T	Einziger's Over The Rainbow HSAs HSDs	B	Sandra Allen	3
2	GCH Serrant's Cody James CD BN RA HSAs HIAs FDC CGCA CGCU TKN	B	Karen Gilden & Christian Kubik	2
3T	GCH Cornerstone's Absolute Dream Of Schmusen CD PCDX RM TD HSDs HIAs HIDs HXDs HSAsM CGC TKN	D	Jill & David Grantl	1
3T	Woodrott's Flirty Gertie CD BN RN HSAd HIAdM CGC TKN	B	Rebecca Forry & Peggy Wood	1

Advanced

1	GCH Cornerstone's Absolute Dream Of Schmusen CD PCDX RM TD HSDs HIAs HIDs HXDs HSAsM CGC TKN	D	Jill & David Grantl	44
2	PACH Maikeva Cop N Attitude Of Circle Mj CD HSAdsc HSBd HIAc HXAd FDC MXP3 MXPB MJP4 MJPB PAX CGC ATT	D	Mary Wroth	10
3	DC Neu-Rodes Unpack Your Heart CD BN RM TDX HSAc HSBds HSDs HIAdsc HIDs HXAdsc HXDs HSAdMsM FDC NFP BCAT ACT1 SEN THDX CGCA CGCU TKI ATT	D	Britney Mazzer	1

2nd Quarter

Started

1	Desert Mountain Arizona's Apex RA HSAds FDC CGC TKI	D	Elizabeth & Daniel Schultz, Sherma Miles	47
2	CH Sage Isi Vom Lauffeuer CD BN RE HSAs PT FDC CGCA CGCU TKI	B	Karen Gilden & Christian Kubik	15
3T	CH Neu-Rodes Place Your Bet CD PCD RN TD PT FTI	D	Lynn Mayo	6
3T	OTCH Neu-Rodes The Gambler UDX OM3 RN TDX TDU HSAd DM DS	D	Lynn Mayo	6
4	Einziger's Over The Rainbow HSAs HSDs	B	Dr Sandra Allen	4
5	CH Nighthawk's 'N Offer You Can'T Refuse V Ikon CD RE HSAs HSDs	D	Jill & David Grant, Daviann Mitchell	2
6T	Brewhaus' Quigley Down Under At Dark Waters HSAs HSDs	D	Patty Schneidmiller	1
6T	GCH Desert Mountain True Grit BN RE PT FDC CGC TKN	D	Britney Mazzer	1

Intermediate

1	RACH BAAR's What A Little Firecracker! CD PUTD BN VER RM2 RAE2 HSAdsc HSBd HSDs HIAds HIBd HIDs BCAT SWD SWME2 SHDME ATT FTN	B	Linda Spengler	3
2	GCH Serrant's Cody James CD BN RA HSAs HIAs FDC CGCA CGCU TKI	B	Karen Gilden & Christian Kubik	2
3	Woodrott's Flirty Gertie CD BN RN HSAd HIAdM CGC TKN	B	Rebecca Forry & Peggy Wood	1

Advanced

1	PACH Maikeva Cop N Attitude Of Circle Mj CD HSAdsc HSBd HIAc HXAd FDC MXP3 MXPB MJP4 MJPB PAX CGC ATT	D	Mary Wroth	7
2	GCH Cornerstone's Absolute Dream Of Schmusen CD PCDX RM TD HSDs HIAs HIDs HXDs HSAsM CGC TKN	D	Jill & David Grant	6
3	DC Neu-Rodes Unpack Your Heart CD BN RM TDX HSAc HSBds HSDs HIAdsc HIDs HXAdsc HXDs HSAdMsM FDC NFP BCAT ACT1 SEN THDX CGCA CGCU TKI ATT	D	Britney Mazzer	1

1st Quarter

There were no Rottweilers who placed at any Herding Trials held during the 1st Quarter 2026.